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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the State Board of Control:

GENTLEMEN:—It is my pleasure to submit herewith the forty-ninth annual and eighth biennial report of the State School for Blind.

The work of the institution, during the past two years, as near as I am able to judge, has been uniformly good. Advancement in every department has resulted, and while our highest ambitions have not been realized, yet we have but little reason for discouragement. The liberal policy adopted and pursued by your honorable body, has contributed largely to the pleasure and success of the work.

THE STATE PROPERTY.

An inventory of the state property just completed shows a valuation of about $230,000.00, an increase of $28,000.00 over two years ago: $25,000.00 of this increase was invested in the new east wing, and the balance in a new lighting plant. The property is in fairly good repair. The boiler house should be enlarged and a coal shed attached, requiring an investment of about $2,000.00. An equal amount should be spent on the shop building to convert it into a boys' dormitory. The main building also needs painting inside. This would require perhaps $1,500.00. When these improvements are made the property will be in good condition, and will require but little outlay of money for some years to come.

I should perhaps add that the above improvements would have been made but for the fact that our appropriation was cut down two years ago.

HEALTH.

The health of the school has been uniformly good. The sanitary conditions, with a good wholesome diet and the excellent

care bestowed by the matrons, has contributed largely to this result. No deaths have occurred, and but two children have left the school permanently on account of poor health. One, a little girl who was suffering with organic heart trouble, the other a boy who developed symptoms of insanity as the result of injuries sustained before entering the school. We have been free from epidemic diseases, and our expenses for medical treatment have been light.

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance has steadily increased although not rapidly. A gratifying feature of this increase, however, is in the fact that a very large percentage of the new pupils are children under 12 years of age. I am satisfied that a large number of children are scattered over the state who should receive the benefits of the state school for blind, but it does not seem possible to reach them, because of ignorance and prejudice. If a personal canvass could be made by an authorized agent, many of this unfortunate class might be reached. I would recommend to your honorable body such a canvass in the interests of the institution. The state has the facilities for caring for fifty more children, and the work of philanthropy should be extended to the limit of capacity.

ENROLLMENT.

The enrollment, Oct. 1st, 1896, was		103
Admitted to Oct. 1st, 1897		37
Total		140
Graduated	10	
Dropped during year	19	29
Remaining on roll Oct. 1st, 1897		111
Admitted to Oct. 1st, 1898		33
Total		144
Graduated from Trades department	4	
Dropped during year	35	39
Remaining on roll Oct. 1st, 1898		105

Superintendent's Report.

The average attendance for the year 1896–97 was 103; for the year 1897–98. 111. The average age of pupils is about 18 years. The adult blind who have lost their sight by accident or otherwise, in later life, continue to come to us for trades and what little knowledge they may acquire; and I am more than ever convinced that the state, sooner or later, will add to its institutions an Industrial Home for the adult blind. This could be made partially self-supporting, and in my judgment would be a wise and humane charity.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

The usual trades for boys,—chair caning, weaving, broom and mattress making, hammock and fly-net making, with knitting, sewing and cooking for the girls, have been faithfully taught. We have sent out from this department during the past two years, a dozen men. Some of them are partially self-supporting. The girls who leave us from this or any other department are more helpless than the boys, yet they gain a knowledge of cooking and sewing that renders them helpful in the home. Our young people as a rule are industrious and willing to work, but they are sadly handicapped, and almost every channel is closed to them.

THE TUNING DEPARTMENT.

Piano tuning, as an occupation for a limited number of blind men, is perhaps the most promising of any field of employment. At my suggestion the Board placed at the head of this department, a year ago, a blind teacher. He is a man who not only thoroughly understands his profession, but also the art of securing business. I found that many of our boys were being sent out with diplomas, but lacking the ability to apply their knowledge This was a serious defect, which I am glad to say is being overcome. A great deal of prejudice exists toward blind tuners, and yet it is possible for a blind man with his sensitive ear and

delicate touch, to rival the man with sight. We expect good results from this department, and are already obtaining them.

MUSIC.

Music and blindness are so closely associated in popular thought that many people believe that all blind persons are natural musicians. This, however, is not the case. Music is generally taught in schools for the blind for two reasons: first, because of its refining and helpful influence, and second, because of the comfort and happiness that it contributes. Occasionally a blind musician becomes so expert as to create a demand for his services, and music is frequently an aid to self-support.

The pipe organ, put in by special appropriation last year, is a practical adjunct to this department. The organ is one of the best in the state. We will be able to turn out some good organists whose services will be in demand.

The pipe organ, piano and harmony are under the management of an old and experienced teacher: and the violin and orchestra instruction is now a separate division in charge of a blind man who appears to thoroughly understand his work. The orchestra includes violins, viola, cello, double bass, cornet, clarinet, trombone, and snare and bass drums, and the aim is so far as possible, to make each member an independent player. In this way he may fill a niche in some orchestra after leaving school, and thus earn a little money.

VOCAL DEPARTMENT.

The state school is noted for its vocal talent, the chorus work being unusually fine. This is owing to the persistent and faithful work by a competent teacher. Every child is taught to sing, and every voice that displays special talent is given individual training. Some of our young people leave us thoroughly competent to fill a place acceptably in church choirs or concert companies, and will not hesitate to do so if an opportunity presents.

Superintendent's Report.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

The work in the literary department for the past two years has been very satisfactory, owing largely to the faithful and efficient work of the principal, Miss S. Augusta Watson, who has been connected with the school for more than thirty years. She has been ably assisted by a competent corps of teachers, and advancement has been made in every grade.

The course of study is much the same as the high school course of the state, and our graduates leave us as well equipped mentally as the graduates of any other high school. The incentive of the university and college, however, is not before them, and were they not so badly handicapped for the ordinary work of life, I should eliminate some studies that are impractical. The longer I am connected with the work the more I am impressed with the fact that the mind of every blind child should be stored with useful knowledge to the extent of its ability,— not to equip them for any particular line of work, but to equip them for life. Blindness means solitude, lack of companionship, frequently homelessness. It means the loss of a thousand things that seem trivial to seeing people, and yet that contribute much to the satisfaction and enjoyment of every-day life. The eyes that never look out, but always look in, should have at least the satisfaction of drawing on a well stored mind to help out the long and weary days that so often become burdensome.

I have discovered that it is possible to educate a blind child beyond the humble home environments, and to awaken in the active brain and receptive mind ambitions that can never be realized, because of infirmity; but this is better than ignorance.

If the channels of trade or business were open to the blind, as they are to the deaf, I should emphasize this branch of their education, but almost every department is a closed door to them.

I adopted the policy, two years ago of saying to our gradu-

ates, "Come back and spend a year or two years if necessary, in perfecting yourselves in music, the trades, or any other one thing that you may want to take up for regular work." As a result we had in the school last year a class of eight post graduates. All of them were greatly benefited, and the most of them to-day are self-supporting or partially so.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I have long felt that the institution should have the services of a competent oculist.

Many children come to us with more or less sight, and an operation, or perhaps treatment and glasses, would enable them to attend the public schools. When this result is possible, it seems to me that the state for its own protection, as well as in the interest of this class of children, should provide this means. I would therefore recommend that the Board employ a skilled oculist to visit the institution at least once a month, to examine and treat such cases as may require his services. The state of Texas has employed an oculist for many years. The latest report shows that ninety-seven operations were performed last year, and eight pupils sent home permanently cured.

I would also recommend to your honorable body the consideration of a state industrial home for the adult blind. This question will bear close investigation and careful study from a humane standpoint. This institution is in close touch with the adult blind of the state. Many of this class are partially or entirely dependent. They are willing to work and longing for an opportunity. It is possible for the state, at moderate cost, to provide the opportunity. Such a home can be made partially self-supporting, and its establishment would mean a refuge to a class of unfortunate people who have ever appealed to human sympathy.

Thanking you for the cordial support rendered, I am

Very sincerely,

H. F. BLISS,

Superintendent.

Statistical Tables.

ENROLLMENT OF PUPILS, 1896-98.

Boys.

Name.	Postoffice.	County.
Adams, Herbert	North Clayton	Crawford.
Albert, Mark	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Alleyn, Medar	Marinette	Marinette.
Anderson, Jens	Stoughton	Dane.
Babcock, James	Clarno	Green.
Barnes, Robert	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Bellman, Leonard	Oshkosh	Winnebago.
Belongia, Fred	Oconto	Oconto.
Bender, Frank	Arbor	Vernon.
Bentzine, Alphonse	Cumberland	Barron.
Berger, Nicholas	Aniwa	Langlade.
Bergs, Joseph	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Bethke, Friedel	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Bishop, Vigo Fred	Ripon	Fond du Lac.
Breitzman, Leo	Neenah	Winnebago.
Brown, Royal	Neillsville	Clark.
Buss, Frank	Menomonie	Dunn.
Carey, Grover	Sparta	Monroe.
Carman, John	Madison	Dane.
Carter, Roy	Janesville	Rock.
Cochran, Orson	Centralia	Wood.
Cochran, Willie	Centralia	Wood.
Cory, Arthur	Sparta	Monroe.
Covey, Arthur	Oshkosh	Winnebago.
Davies, Herbert	West. Union Junction	Racine.
Dobbins, Willie	Marinette	Marinette.
Edwards, Arthur	Oconto	Oconto.
Egdvedt, Samuel	Stoughton	Dane.
Feick, Hugo	Plymouth	Sheboygan.
Eeistel, Alfred	Sheboygan	Sheboygan.
Finney, Will	Steuben	Crawford.
Gauerke, Adolph	Ixonia	Jefferson.
Genrich, Edward	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Goetzinger, Walter	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Hanchette, Boyd	Neenah	Winnebago.
Heck, Leo	Sheboygan	Sheboygan.
Heil Joseph	Stevens Point	Portage.
Hess, Joseph	Kewaskum	Washington.
Hesseneau, Harry	Janesville	Rock.
Hulbert, Chester	Bangor	La Crosse.
Hartley, Dell	Pardeeville	Columbia.
Johnson, Arndt	Blair	Trempealeau.
Johnston, Bertie	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Kavanaugh, James	Cumberland	Barron.
Kimball, Joseph	Knowlton	Marathon.
Knight, Terrence	Darlington	Lafayette.
Knuth, Bernard	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
La Mire, Fred	Wausaukee	Marinette.

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ENROLLMENT OF PUPILS, 1896-98.— Continued.

Boys.

Name.	Postoffice.	County.
Larsen, Albin	Prentice	Price.
Lange, Leo	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Langenkamp, Joseph	Tisch Mills	Manitowoc.
Lemere, Frank	Chilton	Calumet.
Leuenberger, George	Monroe	Green.
McCulloch, Pliny	Viroqua	Vernon.
McNally, Clarence	Walworth	Walworth.
Mahan, Albert	Whitewater	Walworth.
Mansky, Gustav	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Manz, Louis	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Metajowitz, Charles	Branch	Manitowoc.
Molle, Constant	Green Bay	Brown.
Mullins, John	Delavan	Walworth.
Muselek, William	Racine	Racine.
Nelson, Carl	River Falls	Pierce.
Nelson, William	Cushing	St. Croix.
Ness, Ludwig	Eau Claire	Eau Claire.
Nitschke, Arthur	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Oswald, John	Rwo Rivers	Manitowoc.
Parish, Chester	Whitewater	Walworth.
Pierce, Clarence	Sparta	Monroe.
Prosser, James	Menasha	Winnebago.
Quade, Wille	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Raabe, Edward	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Ranse, Carl	Manston	Juneau.
Rentzen, Emil	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Rickert, Adam	Portage	Columbia.
Roberts, Dan	Baraboo	Sauk.
Root, Charles	Waukesha	Waukesha.
Rouse, Hayes	Bay Settlement	Brown.
Schmidkunz, Rudolph	Mackville	Outagamie.
Schuster, John	Richfield	Washington.
Scofield, Howard	Oshkosh	Winnebago.
Scribner, Jerry	Oshkosh	Winnebago.
Siegel, Frank	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Silver, Guy	Monroe	Green.
Singsam, John	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Slack, Philip	Hesper	Iowa.
Taylor, George	Waupaca	Waupaca.
Thurow, Herman	Reedsville	Manitowoc.
Tummond, Frank	Mount Hope	Grant.
Tyczkowski, Aloysius	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Wagner, August	Horicon	Juneau.
Wilson, John	Bloomington	Grant.
Wutke, Otto	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Wutstrack, Charles	Footeville	Rock.

Statistical Tables.

ENROLLMENT OF PUPILS, 1897-98—Continued.

Girls.

Name.	Postoffice.	County.
Altenberg, Emilia	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Anderson, Ida	Menomonie	Dunn.
Belongia, Louise	Oconto	Oconto.
Bennett, Jessie	Darlington	Lafayette.
Bentzine, Emma	Cumberland	Barron.
Bentzine, Jennie	Cumberland	Barron.
Bo, Alfreda	Woodville	St. Croix.
Bolden, Elva	Genesee	Waukesha.
Boury, Leah	Rice Lake	Barron.
Brandt, Anna	Oshkosh	Winnebago.
Brooks, Hattie	Pittsville	Wood.
Carr, Cassie	Eau Claire	Eau Claire.
Cochran, Beth	Centralia	Wood.
Cole, Dora Eva	Red Mound	Vernon.
Clyde, Grace	Janesville	Rock.
Cornett, Irma	Menominee	Michigan.
Davies, Anna	West Union Junction	Racine.
Davies, Margaret	West Union Junction	Racine.
Deery, Sarah	Waukesha	Waukesha.
Distel, Mary	Racine	Racine.
Doane, Hazel	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Egloff, Orpha	Rhinelander	Oneida.
Emerson, Elizabeth	Hanover	Rock.
Enders, Emma	Marinette	Marinette.
Faulkes, Della	Waukesha	Waukesha.
Foster, Jessie	Janesville	Rock.
Frank, Josephine	Aberdeen	South Dakota.
Gallagher, Genevra	West Superior	Douglas.
Gilbert, Winifred	Stoughton	Dane.
Getchell, Martha	River Falls	Pierce.
Gleasman, Jessie	Rockton	Illinois.
Gomm, Florence	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Gould, Lena	Brodhead	Green.
Griffin, Edith	Chicago	Illinois.
Guernsey, Gertrude	Rock Prairie	Rock.
Hauke, Julia	Sparta	Monroe.
Helmenstein, Dollie	Blue Mounds	Dane.
Hollister, Jessie	Bancroft	Portage.
Hull, Anna	Montello	Marquette.
Jones, Lela	Delavan	Walworth.
Larsen, Mary	Kenosha	Kenosha.
Lohrie, Lillie	Sparta	Monroe.
Lorentsen, Thea	Baldwin	St. Croix.
McFate, Mildred	Waupun	Fond du Lac.
Masterson, Adeline	Appleton	Outagamie.
Mathewson, Rose	Meehan Jct	Portage.
Mattson, Anna	Atlas	Polk.
Merten, Augusta	Cedarburg	Milwaukee.
Miller, Lizzie	Eau Claire	Eau Claire.

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ENROLLMENT OF PUPILS, 1897-98—Continued.

Girls—Continued.

Name.	Postoffice.	County.
Noyes, Grace	Milton	Rock.
Oleson, Olga	La Crosse	La Crosse.
O'Shea, Margaret	Wilson	St. Croix.
O'Shea, Stella	Wilson	St. Croix.
Palmer, Carrie May	Janesville	Rock.
Patterson, Violet	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Preston, Myrtie	River Falls	Pierce.
Pundt, Louise	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Racine, Katie	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Rause, Otelle	Mauston	Juneau.
Roberts, Margaret	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Russel, May	Milwaukee	Milwaukee.
Schnittke, Millie	Eau Claire	Eau Claire.
Schueneman, Ella	Appleton	Outagamie.
Snyder, Grace	Janesville	Rock.
Steinhoff, Agatha	Rapp	Monroe.
Tabor, Cora	Delavan	Walworth.
Tibbitts, Anna	McMillan	Marathon.
Tollefson, Tina	Winchester	Winnebago.
Tuttle, Helen	Baraboo	Sauk.
Van Handel, Mary	Little Chute	Outagamie.
Van Valen, Leona	Janesville	Rock.
Van Wald, Sarah	Sauk City	Sauk.
Wadsworth, Irene	River Falls	Pierce.
Wanzer, Nita	Eau Claire	Eau Claire.
Weaver, Isabel	Watertown	Jefferson.
Wyman, Pearl	River Falls	Pierce.
Zech, Anna	Reedsburg	Sauk.
Zimmerman, Anna	Milford	Jefferson.

Statistical Tables.

STATEMENT OF CURRENT EXPENSE FUND, 1897.

1896.				
Oct. 1	Balance			$16,457 08
1897.				
May 1	Appropriation Chap. 308, Laws 1897			70,000 00
Sept. 30	Transferred from school building fund			159 53
	Steward for sundries			3,635 57
	Steward for board and tuition			96 00
	Transferred for expenses of board of control		$1,130 95	
	Paid on account of current expenses this year		36,720 66	
	Balance appropriation in state treasury	$52,331 04		
	Balance in hands of steward	165 53	52,496 57	
			$90,348 18	$90,348 18

STATEMENT OF CURRENT EXPENSE FUND, 1898.

1897.				
Oct. 1.	Balance			$52,496 57
1898.				
Sept. 30.	Transferred from pipe organ fund			37 00
Sept. 30.	Steward for board and tuition			120 00
Sept. 30.	Steward for sundries			1,953 19
Sept. 30.	Transferred board of control fund		$840 00	
Sept. 30.	Paid on account current expenses this year		33,815 85	
Sept. 30.	Balance appropriation in state treasury	$19,831 69		
Sept. 30.	Balance in hands of steward	119 22	19,950 91	
	Totals		$54,606 76	$54,606 76

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STATEMENT OF

At the Wisconsin School for the Blind for

Classified Items.	Inventory September 30, 1896.	Purchased during the year.	Transfer'd to this account during the year.	Total.
Barn, farm and garden	$1,976 90	$1,330 19	.....	$3,307 09
Clothing and expenses of pupils	3 50	85 41	.....	88 91
Discounts	.....	.....	.....	.....
Drug and medical department	14 40	207 39	.....	221 79
Engines and boilers	4,907 51	289 49	.....	5,197 00
Fire apparatus	80 40	.....	.....	80 40
Fuel	89 12	2,560 40	$35 00	2,684 52
Furniture	3,770 75	536 90	35 00	4,307 65
Gas and other lights	4,831 95	581 35	.....	5,413 30
House furnishing	4,550 99	833 27	18 50	5,402 76
Laundry	772 30	245 66	.....	1,017 96
Machinery and tools	225 07	8 84	.....	233 91
Means of instruction	7,327 53	658 52	.....	7,986 05
Miscellaneous	162 85	731 00	.....	893 85
Officers' expenses	.....	20 38	.....	20 38
Printing, postage, stationery and telegraph	103 61	304 34	.....	407 95
Real estate including buildings, etc	172,400 79	.....	24,840 47	197,241 26
Repairs and renewals	63 60	3,480 86	.....	3,544 46
Scraps	.....	.....	6 15	6 15
Subsistence	387 06	7,656 30	903 39	8,946 75
Wages and salaries	.....	13,862 77	.....	13,862 77
Work department	403 00	3,358 77	.....	3,761 77
Totals	$202,071 33	$36,751 84	$25,803 51	$264,626 68
Discounts	.....	31 18	.....	232,717 85
		$36,720 66		
Net expenses	.....	.....	.....	$31,908 83

Add amount assigned to this institution and set apart by the Secretary

Statistical Tables.

CURRENT EXPENSES

the fiscal year ending September 30, 1897.

Inventory September 30, 1897.	Cash received on this account during the year.	Transferred from this account during the year.	Total.	Gained.	Expended.
$1,889 06	$410 68	$938 39	$3,238 13	.....	$68 96
3 50	6 63	.....	10 13	.....	78 78
.....	.....	31 18	31 18	$31 18	.....
13 70	.....	.....	13 70	.....	208 09
4,870 62	100 00	.....	4,970 62	.....	226 38
80 40	.....	.....	80 40	.....	.....
244 80	.....	.....	244 80	.....	2,439 72
4,181 98	.....	.....	4,181 98	.....	125 67
4,708 93	.....	.....	4,708 93	.....	704 37
4,632 88	.....	.....	4,632 88	.....	769 88
996 67	.....	.....	996 67	.....	21 29
216 91	.....	.....	216 91	.....	17 00
7,798 96	22 75	.....	7,821 71	.....	164 34
149 06	.....	.....	149 06	.....	744 79
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 38
171 84	1 40	.....	173 24	.....	234 71
196,841 26	.....	.....	196,841 26	.....	400 00
12 70	.....	6 15	18 85	.....	3,525 61
.....	6 15	.....	6 15	.....	.....
658 31	27 00	.....	685 31	.....	8,261 44
.....	26 21	.....	26 21	.....	13,836 56
616 48	3,034 75	18 50	3,669 73	.....	92 04
$228,088 06	$3,635 57	$994 22	$232,717 85	.....	$31,940 01
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
					31 18
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$31,908 83
of State for salaries and expenses of the Board of Control....					1,130 95
					$33,039 78

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STATEMENT OF

At the Wisconsin School for the Blind for

CLASSIFIED ITEMS.	Inventory September 30th, 1897.	Purchased during the year.	Transfer'd to this account during the year.	Total.
Barn, farm and garden.	$1,889 06	$1,077 30	.....	$2,966 36
Clothing and expense of pupils	3 50	104 20	.....	107 70
Discounts	.....	.....	.....	.....
Drug and medical department.....	13 70	165 80	.....	179 50
Engines and boilers	4,870 62	223 36	.....	5,093 98
Fire apparatus.....	80 40	.....	.....	80 40
Fuel.....	244 80	2,637 94	.....	2,882 74
Furniture.....	4,181 98	418 39	.....	4,600 37
Gas and other lights....	4,708 93	109 91	.....	4,818 84
House furnishing.....	4,632 88	1,123 85	$11 75	5,768 48
Laundry	996 67	218 08	.....	1,214 75
Machinery and tools....	216 91	3 80	.....	220 71
Means of instruction....	7,798 96	1,484 17	.....	9,283 13
Miscellaneous.....	149 06	702 88	.....	851 94
Officers' expenses.....	.....	40 08	.....	40 08
Printing, postage, stationery and telegraph.	171 84	260 91	.....	432 75
Real estate, including buildings, etc.....	196,841 26	.....	3,463 00	200,304 26
Repairs and renewals...	12 70	1,263 68	.....	1,276 38
Scraps.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Subsistence.....	658 31	7,730 29	1,261 80	9,650 40
Wages and salaries.....	.....	13,966 77	.....	13,966 77
Work department.....	616 48	1,447 71	.....	2,064 19
Fire and boiler insurance.....	.....	840 00	.....	840 00
Totals	$228.088 06	$33.819 12	$4,736 55	$266.643 73
Discounts.....	.....	20 82	.....	236,466 53
Net expenses.....	.....	$33,798 30	.....	$30,177 20

Add amount assigned to this institution and set apart by the Secretary

Statistical Tables.

CURRENT EXPENSES

the fiscal year ending September 30, 1898.

Inventory September 30th, 1898.	Cash received on this account during the year.	Transferred from this account during the year.	Total.	Gained.	Expended.
$1,787 81	$555 60	$1,261 80	$3,605 21	$638 85	.....
36 21	.....	.....	36 21	.....	$71 49
.....	.....	20 82	20 82	20 82	.....
11 30	.....	.....	11 30	.....	168 20
4,895 00	.....	.....	4,895 00	.....	198 98
80 40	.....	.....	80 40	.....	.....
134 20	.....	.....	134 20	.....	2,748 54
4,498 61	.....	.....	4,498 61	.....	101 76
4,712 05	.....	.....	4,712 05	.....	106 79
4,923 34	.....	.....	4,923 34	.....	845 14
1,061 79	.....	.....	1,061 79	.....	152 96
216 83	.....	.....	216 83	.....	3 88
9,235 20	21 00	.....	9,256 20	.....	26 93
187 43	.....	.....	187 43	.....	664 51
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 08
54 41	.....	.....	54 41	.....	378 34
200,304 26	.....	.....	200,304 26	.....	.....
12 87	.....	.....	12 87	.....	1,263 51
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
523 79	.....	.....	523 79	.....	9,126 61
.....	15 18	.....	15 18	.....	13,951 59
543 47	1,361 41	11 75	1,916 63	.....	147 56
....	.....	.....	.....	.....	840 00
$233,218 97	$1,953 19	$1,294 37	$236,466 53	$659 67	$30,836 87
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
					659 67
....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$30,177 20
of State for salaries and expenses of Board of Control					840 00
					$31,017 20

Wisconsin School for the Blind.

STATEMENT OF SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FUNDS.

	Balance available Sept. 30, 1896.	Appropriation 1897.	Expended during the biennial period.	Balance available Sept. 30, 1898.
Water supply for fire protection	$1,754 05	.....	$3 00	$1,751 05
State circulating library for Blind	783 39	.....	.....	783 39
School building	10,801 65	.....	10,801 65	.....
Pipe organ	3,500 00	.....	3,500 00	.....
Totals	$16,839 09	.....	$14,304 65	$2,534 44

STATEMENT OF MONEYS RECEIVED AT THIS INSTITUTION.

Classification.	Year ending Sept. 30, 1897.	Year ending Sept. 30, 1898.
Barn, farm and garden	$410 68	$555 60
Board and tuition of pupils	96 00	120 00
Clothing and expense	6 63	.....
Engines and boilers	100 00	.....
Means of instruction	22 75	21 00
Printing, postage, stationery and telegrams	1 40	.....
Scraps	6 15	.....
Subsistence	27 00	.....
Wages and salaries	26 21	15 18
Work department	3,034 75	1,361 41
Totals	$3,731 57	$2,073 19

Statistical Tables.

FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCTS.

ARTICLES.	FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1897.		FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1898.	
	Quantity.	Amount.	Quantity.	Amount.
Asparagus	175 lbs.	$14 00	106 lbs.	$2 12
Beets	24 bu.	10 30	19¼ bu.	6 03
Blackberries	320 qts.	22 40	35 qts.	2 10
Cabbage	100 no.	4 70	575 no.	17 75
Carrots	21 bu.	8 40	21½ bu.	6 55
Corn	71 doz.	3 55	106 doz.	6 20
Cucumbers	24 doz.	1 92	8 doz.	40
Currants	36 qts.	1 80	52 qts.	2 60
Ground cherries	34 qts.	3 40	.....	.....
Hay	.....	.....	3 tons.	15 00
Lettuce	5 bas.	50	12 doz.	1 20
Mangel wurzels	10 tons.	80 00	7½ tons.	60 00
Milk	50,744 lbs.	519 44	76,012 lbs.	1.140 18
Onions	17 doz.	96	21 doz.	63
Onions	.....	.....	4 bu.	2 60
Parsnips	19 bu.	11 40	12 bu.	7 20
Peas	6 bu.	5 20	3¼ bu.	1 95
Pieplant	410 lbs.	12 30	276 lbs.	5 52
Pickles	4,275 no	10 69	.....	.....
Pork	1,340 lbs.	107 20	.....	.....
Radishes	318 doz.	9 48	135 doz.	4 05
Raspberries	78 qts.	7 80	77 qts.	3 85
Salsify	.....	.....	5 bu.	2 00
Squash	7 doz.	1 75	.....	.....
String beans	3½ bu.	2 80	4¾ bu.	1 90
Tomatoes	2,550 lbs.	26 00	19,09 lbs.	28 67
Tomatoes	.....	.....	5 bu.	1 25
Turnips	.....	.....	7½ bu.	2 05
Wood	10 cds.	35 00	.....	.....
Totals	.....	$900 99	.....	$1,321 80